

Attorney Docket No. 12547US02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE*HF 14
AS
2/21/03*

PATENT APPLICATION OF:

SHANNA D. KNIGHTS,) Group Art Unit 1745
DAVID P. WILKINSON,)
STEPHEN A. CAMPBELL,) Examiner M. Wills
JARED L. TAYLOR,)
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THOMAS R. RALPH)
SERIAL NO. 09/643,550)
FILED: AUGUST 22, 2000)
FOR: SOLID POLYMER FUELCELL)
WITH IMPROVED VOLTAGE)
REVERSAL TOLERANCE)

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATIONCommissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time with the required extension fee is submitted herewith.

Cc: Ballard

On 12-20-02 Fax
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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

a. Previously submitted

i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed _____.

ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
_____.

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply

ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. Other

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. Other

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-0017
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other Any overpayment or deficiency
- b. Check in the amount of \$850.00 enclosed
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$740.00)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (\$110.00)
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

The Examiner is invited to telephone applicants' undersigned attorney at (312) 775-8202 if any unresolved matters remain.

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Please charge any fees incurred in connection with this
submission to Deposit Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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